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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 HPG, LLC,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 KATHRYN KERRIGAN,

13 Defendant
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Case No. C18-1872RSL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

15 This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On December 27, 2018, plaintiff
16 filed the above-captioned matter alleging that the Court has jurisdiction based on the
17 diversity of citizenship of the parties. See 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a) (establishing that the
18 federal court’s basic diversity jurisdiction extends to “all civil actions where the matter in
19 controversy exceeds . . . \$75,000 . . . and is between . . . citizens of different States.”).
20 “For a case to qualify for federal jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a), there must be
21 complete diversity of citizenship between the parties opposed in interest.” Kuntz v. Lamar
22 Corp., 385 F.3d 1177, 1181 (9th Cir. 2004) (internal citation omitted). In examining
23 whether complete diversity is present, the citizenship of a limited liability company is
24 determined by examining the citizenship of the owners/members. See Johnson v.

1 Columbia Props. Anchorage, LP, 437 F.3d 894, 899 (9th Cir. 2006) (holding that “like a
2 partnership, an LLC is a citizen of every state of which its owners/members are citizens”).

3 Plaintiff states that it is a Washington corporation, but fails to provide the
4 citizenship of each its owners/members. Therefore, plaintiff has failed to meet its burden
5 to establish the basis of the Court’s jurisdiction. See Indus. Tectonics, Inc. v. Aero Alloy,
6 912 F.2d 1090, 1092 (9th Cir. 1990) (“The party asserting jurisdiction has the burden of
7 proving all jurisdictional facts”); Fed R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3) (“If the Court determines at any
8 time that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction, the court must dismiss the action”). As a
9 result, plaintiff is ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE by January 11, 2019, why the Court
10 should not dismiss this action for lack of subject matter jurisdiction by providing the
11 Court with the citizenship of all of the owners/members of HPG, LLC, at the time the
12 complaint was filed.

13 The Clerk of the Court is directed to place this order to show cause on the Court’s
14 calendar for January 11, 2019.

15 Dated this 2nd day of January, 2019.

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19 Robert S. Lasnik
20 United States District Judge
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